

August 13, 2009

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Dear Ms. McGoldrick,

I am writing in response to the petition submitted by the District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS) for Bruce-Monroe Elementary School to be granted consolidated school status for School Year (SY) 2008-09. Documentation submitted by DCPS demonstrates that Bruce-Monroe Elementary School meets the 40 percent population shift threshold, and that there was a clear policy decision made to consolidate students who had formerly attended Parkview Elementary School into Bruce-Monroe Elementary School. Therefore, your petition is granted.

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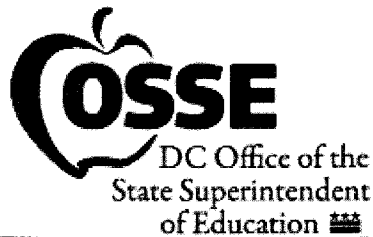
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As a result of being granted consolidated school status, new baseline data was calculated for Bruce-Monroe using the SY 2007-08 test scores of students enrolled at the school in October 2008. OSSE has provided a copy of this new baseline data to DCPS. AYP determinations for SY 2008-09 were made by measuring 2009 DC CAS data against the updated baseline data.

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Dear Ms. McGoldrick,

I am writing in response to the petition submitted by the District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS) for Eliot-Hine Middle School to be granted consolidated school status for School Year (SY) 2008-09. Documentation submitted by DCPS demonstrates that Eliot-Hine Middle School meets the 40 percent population shift threshold, and that there was a clear policy decision made to consolidate students who had formerly attended Hine Junior High School into Eliot Junior High School. Therefore, your petition is granted.

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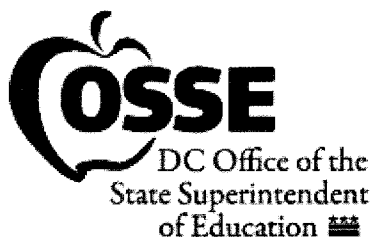
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Dear Ms. McGoldrick,

I am writing in response to the petition submitted by the District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS) for Emery Education Campus to be granted consolidated school status for School Year (SY) 2008-09. Documentation submitted by DCPS demonstrates that Emery Education Campus meets the 40 percent population shift threshold, and that there was a clear policy decision made to consolidate students who had formerly attended Gage-Eckington Elementary School and J.F. Cook Elementary School into Emery Education Campus. Therefore, your petition is granted.

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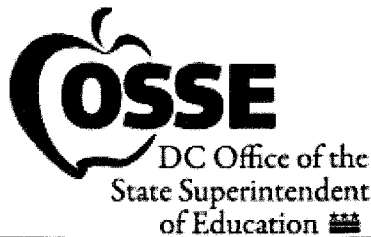
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Dear Ms. McGoldrick,

I am writing in response to the petition submitted by the District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS) for Francis-Stevens Education Campus to be granted consolidated school status for School Year (SY) 2008-09. Documentation submitted by DCPS demonstrates that Francis-Stevens Education Campus meets the 40 percent population shift threshold, and that there was a clear policy decision made to consolidate students who had formerly attended Stevens Elementary School into Francis-Stevens Education Campus. Therefore, your petition is granted.

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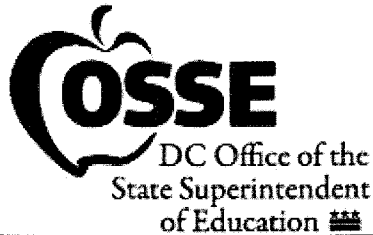
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Dear Ms. McGoldrick,

I am writing in response to the petition submitted by the District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS) for LaSalle-Backus Education Campus to be granted consolidated school status for School Year (SY) 2008-09. Documentation submitted by DCPS demonstrates that LaSalle-Backus Education Campus meets the 40 percent population shift threshold, and that there was a clear policy decision made to consolidate students who had formerly attended Backus Middle School into LaSalle-Backus Education Campus. Therefore, your petition is granted.

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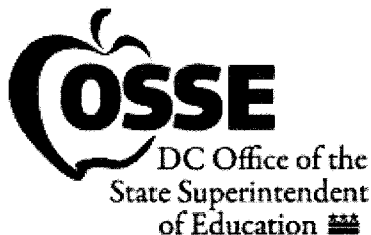
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I am writing in response to the petition submitted by the District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS) for Patterson Elementary School to be granted consolidated school status for School Year (SY) 2008-09. Documentation submitted by DCPS demonstrates that Patterson Elementary School meets the 40 percent population shift threshold, and that there was a clear policy decision made to consolidate students who had formerly attended P.R. Harris Education Campus into Patterson Elementary School. Therefore, your petition is granted.

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As a result of being granted consolidated school status, new baseline data was calculated for Patterson using the SY 2007-08 test scores of students enrolled at the school in October 2008. OSSE has provided a copy of this new baseline data to DCPS. AYP determinations for SY 2008-09 were made by measuring 2009 DC CAS data against the updated baseline data.

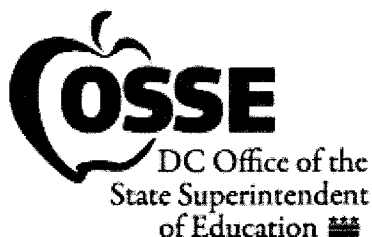
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Dear Ms. McGoldrick,

I am writing in response to the petition submitted by the District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS) for Shaw Middle School to be granted consolidated school status for School Year (SY) 2008-09. Documentation submitted by DCPS demonstrates that Shaw Middle School meets the 40 percent population shift threshold, and that there was a clear policy decision made to consolidate students who had formerly attended Garnett-Patterson Middle School into Shaw Middle School. Therefore, your petition is granted.

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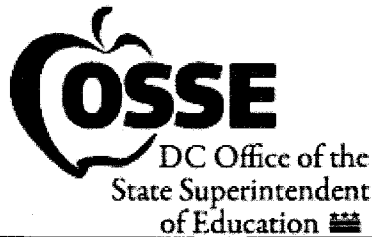
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Dear Ms. McGoldrick,

I am writing in response to the petition submitted by the District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS) for Jefferson Middle School to be granted consolidated school status for School Year (SY) 2008-09. Documentation submitted by DCPS demonstrates that Jefferson Middle School meets the 40 percent population shift threshold, and that there was a clear policy decision made to consolidate students who had formerly attended Hine Middle School into Jefferson Middle School. Therefore, your petition is granted.

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As a result of being granted consolidated school status, new baseline data was calculated for Jefferson using the SY 2007-08 test scores of students enrolled at the school in October 2008. OSSE has provided a copy of this new baseline data to DCPS. AYP determinations for SY 2008-09 were made by measuring 2009 DC CAS data against the updated baseline data.

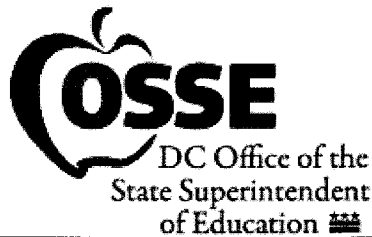
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Dear Ms. McGoldrick,

I am writing in response to the petition submitted by the District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS) for Truesdell Education Campus to be granted consolidated school status for School Year (SY) 2008-09. Documentation submitted by DCPS demonstrates that Truesdell Education Campus meets the 40 percent population shift threshold, and that there was a clear policy decision made to consolidate students who had formerly attended Rudolph Elementary School into Truesdell Education Campus. Therefore, your petition is granted.

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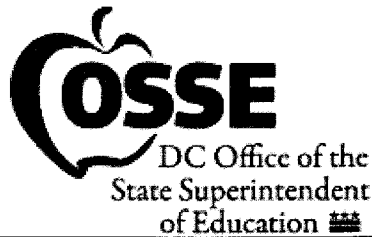
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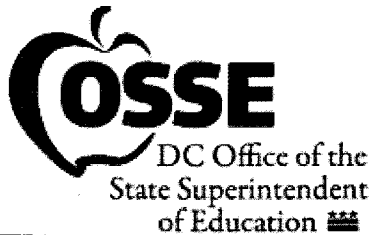
I am writing in response to the petition submitted by the District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS) for Columbia Heights Education Campus to be granted new school status for School Year (SY) 2008-09. Documentation submitted by DCPS demonstrates that Columbia Heights Education Campus meets the 50 percent population shift threshold, and that there was a clear policy decision made to create a new school entity. Therefore, your petition is granted.

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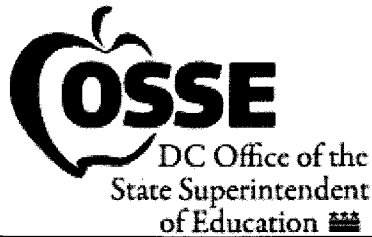
I am writing in response to the petition submitted by Howard Road Academy Public Charter Schools for Howard Road Academy – Pennsylvania Avenue to be granted new school status for School Year (SY) 2008-09. Documentation submitted by DCPS demonstrates that Howard Road Academy – Pennsylvania Avenue meets the 50 percent population shift threshold, and that there was a clear policy decision made to create a new school entity. Therefore, your petition is granted.

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Dear Ms. Henderson,

I am writing in response to the petition submitted by Howard Road Academy Public Charter Schools for Howard Road Academy – Jones Memorial to be granted new school status for School Year (SY) 2008-09. Documentation submitted by DCPS demonstrates that Howard Road Academy – Jones Memorial meets the 50 percent population shift threshold, and that there was a clear policy decision made to create a new school entity. Therefore, your petition is granted.

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